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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995,
See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/123,633
Filing Date	July 28, 1998
First Named Inventor	Leonard E. Mess
Group Art Unit	2858
Examiner Name	Vinh P. Nguyen
Attorney Docket Number	11675.168

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE Practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. _____
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☒ Other Addtl. Fee Charge Dep. Acct. 23-3178
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 710.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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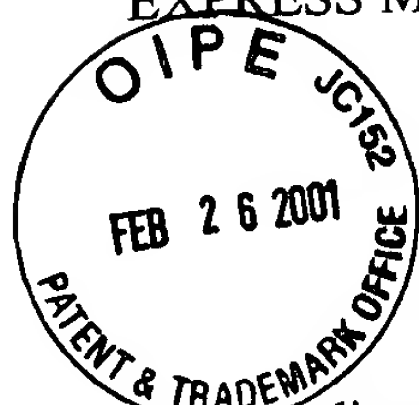
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In re application of

Leonard E. Mess

Serial No. 09/123,633

Filed: July 28, 1998

For: INTERPOSER FOR ELECTRICALLY
COUPLING A SEMICONDUCTIVE DEVICE
TO AN ELECTRICAL APPARATUS

Examiner: Vinh P. Nguyen

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AMENDMENT "C"

The Assistant Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment "C" is being filed simultaneously with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the captioned application, and it refers to the Office Action mailed 09/28/00 (the "Office Action"). Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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